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In re the Application of: Kazutaka HARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2872

Application Number: 10/509,700

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POLARIZATION COMPONENT, POLARIZATION LIGHT SOURCE

AND IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 223·13-1450

October 27, 2006

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated October 4, 2006.

In the Action, restriction is required between (A) Species of Fig. 1, claims 1-5 and 11-21, (B) Species of Fig. 4, claim 7, (C) Species of Fig. 6, claims 8, and (D) Species of Fig. 8, claim 9.

Applicant(s) hereby elect(s) the subject matter of (A) Species of Fig. 1, claims 1-5 and 11-21 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, and it is understood that Applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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